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SUBJECT: TERRORIST FINANCIER MUBARAK AL-BATHALI WILL REMAIN
IN DETENTION UNTIL ON OR ABOUT JULY 8

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¶1. (U) Kuwaiti press reported on June 24 that Kuwaiti terrorist financier and UNSCR 1267 designee Mubarak Al-Bathali will remain in detention for an additional 14 days pending further investigation into his role in inciting youth to fight in Iraq and Afghanistan (reftel). Al Bathali has been in Kuwaiti custody since May 8 and this is the fourth extension to his detention.

¶2. (U) Per the current judicial order, it appears that Al-Bathali will be eligible for release on or about July 8. Post is seeking GOK information on whether he will be released on that date or if his detention will be extended.

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